

## MRM #10 Accomplishments

### Reduction of Contractor Oversight

**DCMC Clearwater** 

Briefing to:

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### Introduction

- Getting started
- Purpose
- Perspective
- Customer focus
- Leadership
- Accomplishments to date
- Currently active initiatives
- Sharing strategies



### Risk Management

# Risk management is the <u>foundation</u> of our team philosophy and our success

- Accomplishments are a direct result of effectively identifying and managing risk
- Implementing Alternate Release Procedures and Contractor Self-Oversight Programs at high quality, low-risk contractor facilities
- Charter all Team members to manage risk and improve customer service levels by identifying problems and offering solutions and ideas for savings
- Gained efficiencies in low-risk business processes enable us to better utilize our limited resources



### **Strategies**

#### Our strategies include:

- Take reasonable, calculated risks to attain success
- Using the available MRM #10 options to the maximum reasonable extent
- Aggressive elimination of process steps we do not need - the obsolete, the duplicative, and those that serve special, not customer interests
- Use prime contractor supplier quality management data and analysis when cost-effective
- Develop a well-trained, synergetic Team capable of effecting MRM #10 goals



### **Changing Paradigms**

- Restructuring Teams
  - Changing paradigms
  - Accelerating adoption of new business processes
- Providing our employees with the tools to be successful
  - Training to make decisions cooperatively
  - Good information
  - Skills to take advantage of modern technology
- Building an environment for workforce excellence
  - Increasing worker involvement
  - Greater cohesion and cooperation among functional specialists



### **Developing Our People**

- Ongoing training for every worker is essential for success
- For MRM #10, curriculum is developed and training is provided inhouse
- Topics are relevant to Acquisition Reform
  - How to apply MRM #10 initiatives
  - Risk Management
  - Time Management
  - SPC refreshers
  - Surveillance Plan Development Training
- End purpose of the training is to provide tools to achieve desired results
- Sharing: Our four-hour training module on risk management has been provided to DCMC Headquarters and other DCMC Commands



### **Maximizing Resources**

- Proactive professionals are our most important source of progress
- Many talented employees from multiple functions contribute to our MRM #10 efforts
- All Team functions use the MRM #10 concept to gain efficiencies within their specific functional responsibilities
- Entire Team is advancing to its full potential



### DCMC Clearwater Today

- Expanding capabilities well beyond the Quality function by working with the concept/attitude of MRM #10
- Progressively reengineering and simplifying acquisition -- not just Quality -- processes
  - Performing gap analyses, developing unique strategies, setting goals
- Maintaining quality service to our customers
- Meeting an increased workload in a resourceconstrained environment
  - Offsetting calculated resource reductions with MRM #10-type initiative implementations



### **Measuring Success**

- We use performance indicators to assess each QAR's work efforts toward accomplishing MRM #10 initiatives
- We train each QAR to re-allocate individual resources
- We measure our rate of success



# MRM #10 Focus Project - OAR

- 1 Put this process on ARP.
- 6 Put the <u>associated product line</u> on CSO.
- 9 Wait until the associated critical/key processes are in acceptable control and then put the <u>associated product line</u> on ARP.
- 11 Wait until the associated critical/key processes are in acceptable control and then put the entire facility on CoC.
- 13 Wait until the associated critical/key processes are in acceptable control and then put the entire facility on ARP.
- 15 Mandatory (QALI), LI/SS, NNPS, NASA, or other reimbursable.

Code	Contractor Name	Key Processes	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0FFB0	Aero Aire	DD250											11				
		Pres/Pack/Mark/Ship											11				
		Final Inspection											11				
99810	Aerosonic (also 0EGS8)	Calibration													13		
		Final ATP													13		
		DD250													13		
		Pres/Pack/Mark/Ship													13		
1N275	Brysen Optical	Final Inspection									9						
		DD250											11				
		Pres/Pack/Mark/Ship									9						
28956	Harder Precision	Final Inspection									9						
		DD250									9						
		Pres/Pack/Mark/Ship											11				
22861	J oyce Telectronics	Final ATP									9						
		Final Inspection									9						
		DD250									9						
		Pres/Pack/Mark/Ship									9						
52512	Astra Products	Shelf Life									9						
		Hand Solder					6										
		Final ATP					6										
		Pres/Pack/Mark/Ship					6										
17475	Gulf Aeros pace	Calibration															15
		Final ATP															15
		Pres/Pack/Mark/Ship															15
55438	Godfrey [BF Goodrich]	Hand Solder	1														
		Final ATP					6										
		Pres/Pack/Mark/Ship													13		
07NV7	Tampa Machine	Calibration															15
		Final Inspection															15



### MRM #10 Focus Project -Senior Q

#### Top Five Candidates Eligible for Source Inspection Reduction

		Formal Certifications or Agreements											
	2nd	Party	3rd l	Party	Certs/Agreements								
Contractor	<b>PBAM</b>	ISO 9001	ISO 9002	ISO 9001	ISO 9002	MIL-I	MIL-Q	CSO	ARP	DVD	CoC		
Lockheed	M				Χ			wkg					
Smiths IMS	М			Х				wkg					
Smiths PSNA	M				Χ			wkg					
Astra Products	L					Χ			wkg				
R&R Mfg	L				Χ			wkg					

	PROCAS	Start	Comp	
Contractor	Environ	Month	Month	Reasoning/J ustification for Selection
Lockheed	Y	J an	Apr	Mature product lines, good quality history
Smiths IMS	Y	Mar	J un	Boeing Gold Supplier
Smiths PSNA	Υ	Mar	J un	Good quality history, potential DVD supplier
Astra Products	Y	Apr	Apr	Low unit cost, mature products
R&R Mfg	Υ	Mar	May	Subcontractor with excellent prime oversight

#### **Completed Initiatives:**

Alliant Techsystems - Facility-wide CSO MoA Nestor Sales - Facility-wide CoC MoA Hytennas - Facility-wide ARP



# Customer / Contractor Partnerships

- Strengthen commercial and defense industrial base by partnering with our suppliers
  - Process-Oriented Contract Administrative Services environment
  - Integrated Program/Product Teams
  - Management Councils
  - Technical Interchange Meetings
- Develop a relationship of trust while identifying problems and deficiencies
- Focus resources on expedient resolutions that are in the best interest of our joint customer(s)
- Encourage the development of new technology and better business practices
- Implement Single Process Initiatives wherever feasible



### **Moving Forward**

- Making the DoD Acquisition System more efficient, responsive, and timely
- MRM #10 initiatives and innovations on target with NPR objectives
  - Implementing a full array of MRM #10 initiatives
- Systematically improving both quality and performance
  - Gaining efficiencies that equate to cost savings and more timely responses
  - Gaining greater resource flexibility
- Savings generated in two primary areas:
  - Fewer government resources are required
  - Contractors save costs related to in-plant government activity



#### **DCMC Clearwater's BRAVO Team's first action**

**Note:** Savings are calculated using the QA reimbursable rate of \$51.00 per hour x 2080 hours = \$106,080 annually.

MRM #10-type review of all QAS workloads and assigned contractor facilities

#### Purpose:

- Gain operating efficiencies
- Moved QASs to closer facilities with matched skills to better facilitate MRM #10

Immediately realized a minimum of \$10,000 annual savings in mileage and travel time expenses



### **DCMC Clearwater** Accomplishments Maximizing MRM #10 options

- Contractor with a high volume of contracts and excellent quality history
- Implemented two different MRM #10 initiatives to maximize savings

MoA that automatically invokes contractual CoC procedures

- Government gain:
  - Savings exceed **\$126,000**
  - Optimizes resource usage and shipping timeliness
- Contractor gain:
  - Estimated savings over \$60,000

ARP implemented on product lines with proven quality history

- Government gain:
  - Over \$21,000 annual savings
  - QAR flexibility (reduced travel time)
  - **Faster shipments**



## Changing paradigms and eliminating the "old" way of doing business

- Under an MRM #10 initiative, used to our advantage a prime's audit efforts and removed Government Source Inspection from a significant number of contractor's product lines
- Government gain:
  - Annual savings = \$106,000 (One FTE)
  - Resource flexibility
- Contractor gain:
  - Estimated over \$90,000 annually



## Quality Contractor Self-Oversight Memorandum of Agreement for an entire contractor facility

- Government Gains:
  - Savings that exceed \$45,000 annually
  - Resource flexibility to support Program Managers
  - Contractor personnel instrumental in assisting DCMC Clearwater in working with other contractors in their CSO endeavors
- Contractor Gains
  - Savings are estimated at \$10,000
  - Prestige of being a Contractor Self-Oversight (CSO) approved facility
  - Using its CSO approval as an effective marketing tool



#### MOA that automatically corrects misidentified "ship from" codes

- Reason: high volume of contracts
- Significance: elimination of writing and processing modifications each time the "ship from" code was misidentified
  - Correct code is automatically recognized
  - MOCAS database is corrected
- Government gain: \$126,000 annual savings
- Contractor gain: savings are estimated at \$50,000



#### MRM #10 process efficiency concepts

Improved internal method for processing 99 codes in the QA Management Information System

Government gain: Annual savings exceed \$5,400



# Participated in a Direct Vendor Delivery (DVD) contract negotiation with NAVICP, Philadelphia

Supported our customer with data gained from MRM #10 initiatives

- Government gain: anticipate savings to exceed \$43,000 annually
- Contractor gain: savings are estimated at \$40,000



### **Savings Summary**

- Developed strategies and methodologies demonstrate that significant cost savings are achievable
- First six-month period of MRM #10 initiative implementations for one of four teams
  - Government gain: approximately \$500,000
  - Contractor gain: estimated at \$250,000
- Necessary strategies, measurement systems, and trained personnel in place to gain even greater efficiencies and cost savings
- DCMC Clearwater and contractors should realize over \$2,000,000 in cost avoidance and cost savings over the next year by maximizing and optimizing advantages gained through MRM #10



### Completed MRM #10 Initiatives

- Facility-wide CSO Alliant Electronic Defense Systems
- Program-specific CSO Honeywell (B52)
- Facility-wide ARP Nestor Sales
- Facility-wide ARP Technology Research
- Facility-wide CoC MoA Nestor Sales
- Facility-wide CoC MoA Foss Brown
- Facility-wide CoC MoA S&J Military
- Facility-wide CoC MoA Tampa Lighthouse for the Blind



# **Currently Active Initiatives**

- Process-specific CSO Lockheed Martin
- Facility-wide CSO Smiths IMS
- Facility-wide CSO Smiths PSNA
- Facility-wide CSO National Technical Systems
- Facility-wide CSO R&R Manufacturing
- Facility-wide CSO Syn-Tech
- Process-specific CSO Primex
- Product-specific ARP Pall Aeropower
- Facility-wide ARP Astra Product



### **Examples of Sharing**

#### **Getting the word out**

- DCMC Clearwater website
- DCMC Headquarters website
- Quality SFA website (best practices)
- DCMDE Eastside Edition magazine
- DLA Dimensions magazine
- DCMC Headquarters briefing
- DLA nominee for the David Packard Excellence in Acquisition Award

#### More personal service

- Ella Studer, Director, Contract Technical Operations, DCMC
- Debbie DeCoste, TAG Group Leader, DCMC Raytheon
- Tom Sizemore, SFA, Quality, Florida
- Joe Pritt, SFA, Quality, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia
- Harry Vick, Senior QAS, GEC Marconi, New Jersey
- Ray Butler, Team Leader, DCMC Cincinnati
- Richard Braun, Team Leader, DCMC Cleveland
- Patti Jeffrey, Team Leader, DCMC Twin Cities



### Summary

- We are in tune with you.
- Our direction is clear.
- We have a winning, customer-focused attitude.
- Our goals and objectives are attainable.
- We are stacking up **accomplishments**.
- We are doing the right things.
- We are **successful** at what we do.

MRM #10 is truly a win-win-win-win environment for us, our customers, our contractors, and just as importantly, the taxpayers. We will continue to share our strategy for success with others.